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CHARTER,



CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

OF

The Association of the Bar of
the City of New York.

LIST OF OFFICERS AND MEMBERS,

REPORTS AND MEMORANDA.

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CHARTER.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE ASSOCIATION OF THE BAR OF
THE CITY OF NEW YORK. Passed April 28th, 1871.

*The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate
and Assembly, do enact as follows :*

SECTION 1. The members of the Bar Association of the City of New York, of which William M. Evarts is President, James W. Gerard, Samuel J. Tilden, Joseph S. Bosworth, John Slosson, and Edward S. Van Winkle are Vice-Presidents, and all persons who shall hereafter be associated with them, are hereby created a body corporate, under the name of "THE ASSOCIATION OF THE BAR OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK," for the purpose of maintaining the honor and dignity of the Profession of the Law, of cultivating social relations among its members, and increasing its usefulness in promoting the due administration of justice.

SEC. 2. Said corporation shall have power to acquire, by lease or purchase, a suitable building, library, and furniture for the use of the corporation ; to borrow money for such purposes and issue bonds therefor, and to secure the same by mortgage ; and generally to acquire and take by purchase, gift, devise, bequest, subject to the provisions of law relating to devises and bequests by last will and testament, or otherwise, and to hold, transfer and convey all or any such real and personal property as may be necessary for attaining the objects and carrying into effect the purposes of such corporation ; provided, it shall not hold any real estate the value of which shall exceed in the aggregate two hundred thousand dollars.

SEC. 3. Such corporation shall have power to make and adopt a Constitution, By-Laws, Rules and Regulations for the admission, government, suspension and expulsion of its members, the

collection of fees and dues, the number and election of its officers, and to define their duties, and for the safe keeping of its property and management of its affairs, and from time to time to alter, modify, and change such Constitution, By-Laws, Rules, and Regulations.

SEC. 4. All interest of any member of said corporation in its property shall terminate and vest in the corporation, upon his ceasing to be a member thereof by death, resignation, expulsion, or otherwise.

SEC. 5. The several officers of said Association, at the time of the passage of this Act, shall continue to hold their respective offices as officers of this corporation, with the powers and duties prescribed by the Constitution and By-Laws of said Association, until their successors shall be elected and installed; and in case of any previous vacancy among such officers, it shall be filled in the manner prescribed by the Constitution and By-Laws already adopted by said Association, or as the same may, in conformity therewith, be altered or amended by this corporation; and the present Constitution and By-Laws of said Association shall be the Constitution and By-Laws of said corporation, until so altered or amended by said corporation; and all property, rights, and interests of said Association now held by any or either of the officers thereof, or any person or persons, for its use and benefit, shall, by virtue of this Act, vest in and become the property of the corporation hereby created, subject to the payment of the debts of said Association.

SEC. 6. Such corporation shall possess the powers, and be subject to the liabilities, prescribed by the Third Title of the Eighteenth Chapter of the First Part of the Revised Statutes.

SEC. 7. The Legislature may at any time alter, modify, or repeal this Act.

SEC. 8. This Act shall take effect immediately.

CONSTITUTION,

(ADOPTED FEBRUARY 15, 1870.)

(REVISED AND AMENDED MARCH 14, 1876.)

ARTICLE I.

NAME.

THIS Association shall be called "THE ASSOCIATION OF THE BAR OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK."

ARTICLE II.

OBJECTS.

The Association is established to maintain the honor and dignity of the profession of the law, to increase its usefulness in promoting the due administration of justice, and to cultivate social intercourse among its members.

ARTICLE III.

MEMBERS.

The members of the Bar who signed the preliminary articles are hereby declared (Feb. 15, 1870) to be members of this Association; but such of them as shall omit to subscribe to this Constitution, and pay the admission fee, on or before the 15th day of March, 1870, shall cease to be members and can only become such by subsequent admission.

Any member of the profession in good standing, residing or practising in the City of New York, may become a member, by vote of the Association, on recommendation of the Committee on Admissions as hereinafter provided, and on subscribing to

this Constitution and paying the admission fee and the dues of the current half year.

Members of the profession of the State of New York, in good standing, neither residing nor practising in the City of New York, may in like manner become members of this Association, having all the privileges of the same except that of voting.

ARTICLE IV.

OFFICERS.

The officers of the Association shall be a President, five Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Executive Committee of fifteen members besides the President and Treasurer who shall be *ex-officio* members thereof, and a Committee on Admissions, to consist of twenty-one members. These officers shall be elected at the Annual Meeting to be held on the second Tuesday of January in each year.

The Executive Committee and the Committee on Admissions chosen at the next Annual Election (that of 1873) shall divide themselves into three classes of equal numbers each. The first class of each Committee shall hold office for three years, the second class two years, and the third class one year; and thereafter each Annual Election shall be for five members of the Executive Committee and seven members of the Committee on Admissions, to hold office three years, and for such additional number, if any, as may be necessary to fill vacancies, to hold office during the remainder of the terms of the members whose places they fill. No member elected to either of these committees shall be re-eligible to the committee of which he may have been a member, until one year after the expiration of his term of office.

ARTICLE V.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee shall manage the affairs of the Association, subject to the Constitution and By-Laws. All appropriations of the funds of the Association must be made by this Committee, unless ordered by the Association by a two-thirds vote.

ARTICLE VI.

COMMITTEE ON ADMISSIONS.

No person shall be admitted to membership of the Association unless he shall have been recommended by this Committee in such manner as shall be provided by the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VII.

OTHER COMMITTEES.

The Association may provide by its By-Laws for such other Standing Committees as it may deem necessary.

ARTICLE VIII.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Any member of the Association who may become a Judge or Justice of any Court of Record shall be, while he shall hold such office, an honorary member of the Association, and shall be entitled to all its privileges, except that of voting, and shall be exempt from payment of dues.

The Judges of the Courts of the United States, of the Court of Appeals, of the Supreme Court, and of all other Courts of Record of the State of New York, and the Consuls-General of Foreign States resident in the City of New York, shall have the free use of the Library and Reading Room of this Association.

ARTICLE IX.

MEETINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

[AS AMENDED NOV. 12, 1878.]

There shall be an Annual Meeting of the Association on the second Tuesday of January, and a stated meeting on the second Tuesday of each of the months of March, May, October and December in each year. At these stated meetings, and at any regular adjournment thereof, all the powers of the Association may be exercised.

Special meetings may be called at any time by the Executive Committee, and shall be called by the Secretary upon the written request of twenty members specifying the purpose of such

call. At such special meetings no business shall be transacted except such as shall be specified in the call thereof.

At any meeting of the Association the presence of fifty members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE X.

ADMISSION FEE AND ANNUAL DUES.

The admission fee shall in all cases be Fifty Dollars, to be paid on signing the Constitution.

The annual dues of members residing in the City of New York shall be Forty Dollars, and of members having offices in the City of New York and residing elsewhere, Twenty Dollars. Such dues shall be payable half-yearly on the first day of May and of November in each year.

In case of members belonging to either of the above classes, of less than six years' standing at the Bar, the Executive Committee may, until they shall have attained that standing, give them a credit for one-half their initiation fee, and may also remit one-half of their annual dues.

Members neither residing nor having offices in the City of New York shall be exempt from the payment of annual dues.

ARTICLE XI.

SUSPENSIONS AND EXPULSIONS.

Any member of the Association may be suspended or expelled for misconduct in his relations to this Association or in his profession, on conviction thereof, in such manner as may be prescribed by the By-Laws; and all interest in the property of the Association of persons resigning or otherwise ceasing to be members shall vest in the Association.

ARTICLE XII.

ELECTIONS.

All elections shall be by ballot. The officers elected shall enter upon their duties immediately upon their election, and shall hold office until their successors are elected or appointed.

In case of a vacancy in any office, it shall be filled by appointment of the Executive Committee until the next annual

election, except in the case of a vacancy occurring in the office of President, which shall be filled by the Association at its first stated meeting occurring more than ten days after the happening of such vacancy.

ARTICLE XIII.

This amended Constitution shall go into immediate effect, but no change made by this revision shall affect the terms of office of the present officers and committees.

ARTICLE XIV.

AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be amended, but only by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any stated meeting of the Association, and provided notice of the proposed amendment, subscribed by ten members, be given at a previous stated meeting, and that notice of the same be also given by the Secretary in the notices of the meeting, and that at least fifty members vote for such amendment.

BY-LAWS,

(AS REVISED AND ADOPTED MARCH 14, 1876.)

I.

PRESIDING OFFICERS.

At all meetings of the Association the President, or in his absence one of the Vice-Presidents to be selected without ballot, or in the absence of all of them, any member selected in like manner, shall preside.

II.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

At each stated meeting of the Association the order of business shall be as follows :

1. Reading of Minutes of preceding meeting.
2. Report of Executive Committee.
3. Report of Treasurer.
4. Report of Committee on Admissions.
5. Elections.
6. Reports of other Standing Committees.
7. Reports of Special Committees.
8. Special Orders.
9. Miscellaneous Business.

This Order of Business may be changed by vote of a majority of the members present.

The usual parliamentary rules and orders shall govern all meetings of the Association, except in cases otherwise provided for by the Constitution or By-Laws.

III.

RECORDING SECRETARY.

The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings of the Association, and of all other matters of which a record shall be ordered by the Association.

He shall notify the officers and all members of committees of their election or appointment, shall issue notices of all meetings, and in case of special meetings shall add a brief note of the object of the call.

He shall furnish to the Treasurer the names of all persons newly elected to membership.

He shall be the keeper of the Seal of the Association.

IV.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Association with the concurrence of the President.

V.

TREASURER.

The Treasurer shall keep at all times a complete roll of the members, and shall notify new members of their election. He shall collect, and under the direction of the Executive Committee, disburse all funds of the Association; he shall keep regular accounts in books belonging to the Association, which shall be open to the inspection of any member of the Executive Committee. He shall report in writing, at each stated meeting of the Association, and of the Executive Committee, the balance of money on hand and any existing appropriations which may affect the same.

At the Annual Meeting he shall make a full report of the receipts and disbursements of the past year, suitably classified, and of all outstanding obligations of the Association, with an estimate of the resources and probable expenses of the coming year, and any suggestion he may think proper to make.

His accounts shall be audited by a committee of three members of the Association, to be elected by ballot at the stated meeting preceding the Annual Meeting in each year, who shall report thereon at such Annual Meeting.

VI.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee shall meet at least once in each month except July, August and September. Eight members, whether elected or *ex officio* members, shall form a *quorum*. They shall have power to make such regulations, and take such action, not inconsistent with the Constitution and By-Laws, as shall be necessary for the protection of the property of the Association, and they shall have the general management of its affairs.

They shall keep a record of their proceedings which shall be read at the ensuing meeting of the Association; and shall report at each meeting any business which, in their judgment, requires the action of the Association.

They shall appoint a House Committee of three members, and shall define their duties and powers.

VII.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

A Library Committee, to consist of five members, shall be appointed by the Executive Committee, to hold office during their pleasure, and subject to their directions, to have charge of the Library and Reading Room, with power to expend upon the same such moneys as may be appropriated by the Executive Committee or procured by voluntary subscription.

VIII.

COMMITTEE ON ADMISSIONS.

The Committee on Admissions shall meet at least once in each month, except July and August.

Candidates for membership must be proposed by two members of the Association, who shall send to the chairman of the Committee the name of the candidate, together with the street number of his place of business, and also such statement in respect to his qualifications as the proposers may think proper.

No member of this Committee shall propose any candidate.

No candidate shall be voted upon by the Committee, until

his name, together with the names of the members proposing him, and the date of posting, shall have been posted for at least ten days in a conspicuous place in the House of the Association.

The Committee shall receive and consider all communications respecting the candidate, and make diligent inquiry as to his character and qualifications.

The proceedings of the Committee shall be secret and confidential.

Candidates against whom there shall be five negative votes in the Committee, shall not be recommended for admission.

IX.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

A vote by ballot upon those who are recommended shall be taken in the Association, and one negative vote in every five shall exclude the candidate.

No candidate who shall have been excluded upon such vote shall be again proposed within one year thereafter. If any person elected does not, within one month after notice of his election, signify his acceptance by signing the Constitution and By-Laws and by payment of his admission fee and half-yearly dues, he shall be deemed to have declined to become a member.

X.

NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

If any member shall fail to pay the half-yearly dues within thirty days after the first day of May or of November when the same shall become payable, it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to serve, in the manner in which notices in suits are required to be served on attorneys, upon each member so in default, a copy of this By-Law and a notice to the effect that unless such dues are paid within ten days thereafter, his name and the amount due by him will be posted in a conspicuous place in the House of the Association; and if they are not so paid, the Treasurer shall post the same accordingly.

After thirty days from the date of such posting, the Executive Committee may, by order, without further notice, strike from the roll the name of any member continuing in default,

and he shall thereupon cease to be a member of the Association, provided that, upon his written application satisfactorily explaining such default, and the payment of all dues to the date thereof, the Executive Committee shall have power to remit the penalty of this By-Law.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to take a similar proceeding in the case of any member who shall have had credit for a part of his initiation fee, and who shall fail to pay the same within thirty days after demand thereof after he shall have attained to six years' standing at the Bar; and the terms of the foregoing By-Law shall apply to the last-mentioned case, in all respects.

XI.

ABSENT MEMBERS.

Any member who shall have paid an admission fee and all his annual dues, and who may be absent from the City of New York for the continuous period of one year, shall be exempt from payment of annual dues for the period of his absence, provided he shall give previous written notice to the Treasurer of such intended absence.

XII.

OTHER STANDING COMMITTEES.

In pursuance of Article VII. of the Constitution, there shall be the following Standing Committees :

1. A Committee on the Amendment of the Law, who shall be charged with the duty of watching all proposed changes in the law, and of proposing such amendments as in their opinion should be recommended by this Association.

Members are invited to send to this Committee, at any time, suggestions of existing defects in the law, and of any amendment which they may think advisable.

2. A Judiciary Committee, who shall be charged with the duty of observing the practical working of our judicial system, of entertaining and examining projects for change or reform in the system, and of recommending such action as they may deem expedient.

3. A Committee on Grievances, who shall be charged with the hearing of all complaints against members of the Associa-

tion, and also all complaints which may be made in matters affecting the interests of the legal profession, the practice of the law and the administration of justice, and who shall, from time to time, report thereon to the Association, with such recommendations as they may deem advisable.

XIII.

GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES OF COMMITTEES.

Each of the Committees named in the foregoing By Law shall consist of nine members, to be appointed annually by the President of the Association, who shall continue in office until the Annual Meeting next after their appointment and until their successors are appointed; and each of said Committees shall have power to fill vacancies.

All Committees shall have power to fix their own time and place of meeting, and to adopt regulations for their own government and course of proceeding, not inconsistent with the Constitution and By-Laws, and subject to revision by the Association.

Any Standing Committee may, by rule, provide that three successive absences from the meetings of the Committee, unexcused, shall be deemed a resignation by the member so absent, of his place upon the Committee.

Any Standing Committee may, by rule, impose upon its members a fine for non-attendance, and may provide for the disposal of the fines collected under such rule.

Every Standing Committee, elected or appointed under the Constitution or By-Laws, shall, at the stated annual meeting, report in writing a summary of all the proceedings of such Committee since its last annual report (except such matters as the By-Laws of the Association require to be kept secret), together with any suggestions deemed suitable and appertaining to its powers, duties or business. A general summary of all such annual reports and of the annual reports of the officers, shall be prepared and printed by and under the direction of the Executive Committee, together with the Charter, Constitution, By-Laws, and names of officers, Standing Committees, and members of the Association, as soon as practicable after the annual meeting.

XIV.

COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES.

Whenever any complaint shall be preferred against a member of the Association, for misconduct in his relations to the Association, or in his profession, the member or members preferring such complaint shall present it to the Committee on Grievances in writing subscribed by him or them, plainly stating the matter complained of.

If the Committee are of opinion that the matters therein alleged are of sufficient importance, they shall cause a copy of the complaint, together with a notice of not less than five days of the time and place when the Committee will meet for the consideration thereof, to be served upon the member complained of, either personally or by leaving the same at his place of business during office hours, properly addressed to him; and they shall cause a similar notice to be served on the party presenting the complaint. At the time and place appointed or at such other time as may be named by the Committee, the member complained of may file a written answer or defence, and the Committee shall proceed to the consideration of the case upon such complaint and answer, or upon the complaint alone, if no answer is interposed.

The complainant and the member complained of shall each be allowed to appear personally and by counsel, who must be members of the Association. The witnesses shall vouch for the truth of the statements on their word of honor. The Committee may summon witnesses, and, if such witnesses are members of the Association a neglect or refusal to appear may be reported to the Association for its action.

The Committee, of whom at least five must be present at the trial except that a less number may adjourn from time to time, shall hear and decide the case thus submitted to them, and shall determine all questions of evidence.

If they find the complaint or any material part of it, to be true, they shall so report to the Association, with their recommendation as to the action to be taken thereon, and, if requested by either party, may in their discretion also report the evidence taken or any designated part thereof.

The Association shall thereupon proceed to take such action

on said report as they may see fit, provided only that no member shall be expelled unless by the vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting.

Before the trial shall commence, the member complained of may object peremptorily to any one or more of the Committee, not exceeding three; and the places of those objected to shall be supplied by appointment by a majority of the remaining members of the Committee, for the purposes of the trial.

All the foregoing proceedings shall be secret, except as their publication is hereinbefore provided for, unless otherwise ordered by the Association by a two-thirds vote.

XV.

PRIVILEGES TO OTHERS THAN MEMBERS.

A member may personally introduce a non-resident to the rooms of the Association for one day, recording his name and the date in the Visitors' Book, with his own signature.

On written application of a member, the House Committee may issue tickets admitting non-resident strangers for two weeks to the privileges of the Association.

The Executive Committee may invite counsel not resident in this State, persons from abroad engaged here in the discharge of public duties, or other distinguished strangers, who may be temporarily in the City, to the free use of the Library and Reading Room, for a period not exceeding three months, and may also extend the privileges of the library to any persons whose character and attainments will in their opinion justify such action.

XVI.

BOOKS, ETC., NOT TO BE TAKEN AWAY.

No book or other article belonging to the Association shall be removed from the House.

XVII.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

At the stated meeting in December in each year, a Committee of nine shall be elected by ballot by the Association at large.

Each member of the Association shall be permitted to vote for only five members of such Committee, to be named on one ballot, and the nine persons having the largest number of votes shall be such Committee.

The Committee so chosen shall nominate a list of candidates for the various offices to be filled at the ensuing Annual Meeting, and shall post such list in a conspicuous place in the House of the Association, at least ten days before such Annual Meeting.

XVIII.

AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS.

These By-Laws may be amended at any stated meeting of the Association, but only by a vote of two-thirds of those present, and provided that ten days' notice in writing of the proposed amendment shall have been given to the Executive Committee, and also that notice of the same shall have been given by the Secretary in the notices of the meeting.

1879.
OFFICERS
OF THE
Association of the Bar.

President,

WILLIAM M. EVARTS.

Vice-Presidents,

SAMUEL J. TILDEN, JAMES EMOTT,
WILLIAM MITCHELL, CHARLES TRACY,
JOSIAH SUTHERLAND.

Recording Secretary,

SILAS B. BROWNELL.

Corresponding Secretary,

WILLIAM ALLEN BUTLER.

Treasurer,

EDWARD MITCHELL.

Executive Committee,

WILLIAM M. EVARTS, EDWARD MITCHELL,
President of the Association. Treasurer of the Association.

Class of 1879.

STEPHEN P. NASH, *Chairman*, EDGAR S. VAN WINKLE,
JAMES C. CARTER, JOSEPH LAROCQUE,
JULIEN T. DAVIES.

Class of 1880.

CLIFFORD A. HAND, CHARLES A. DAVISON,
CHARLES E. MILLER, FRANKLIN A. PADDOCK,
JOHN A. BEALL, *Secretary*.

Class of 1881.

ALBON P. MAN, WM. M. PRICHARD,
HENRY H. ANDERSON, FRANCIS FORBES,
JAMES H. FAY.

Library Committee,

JAMES EMOTT,	IRA D. WARREN,
WM. M. PRICHARD,	JAMES H. FAY,
WALTER S. POOR.	

House Committee,

CHARLES A. DAVISON,	JOHN A. BEALL,
FRANCIS FORBES.	

Committee on Admissions,

Class of 1879.

GEORGE W. SOREN,	CHARLES C. BEAMAN, Jr.,
S. SIDNEY SMITH,	ERNEST G. STEDMAN,
THOMAS H. RODMAN, Jr.,	E. ELLERY ANDERSON,
CHARLES H. TWEED.	

Class of 1880.

HAMILTON ODELL.	EDWARD PATTERSON,
WILLIAM F. SHEPARD.	STURGES M. MOREHOUSE,
CHARLES E. SOUTHER,	WILSON M. POWELL,
CHARLES P. MILLER.	

Class of 1881.

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DOUGLAS CAMPBELL,	EDWARD SALOMAN,
PETER B. OLNEY,	ROBERT W. DE FOREST,
JOHN M. SCRIBNER, Jr.,	

Chairman—HAMILTON ODELL.

Secretary—ERNEST G. STEDMAN.

Standing Committees.

On Amendment of the Law,

CHARLES O'CONOR,	CHARLES M. DA COSTA,
JOSEPH S. BOSWORTH,	SIMON STERNE,
JOHN K. PORTER,	FREDERICK H. BETTS,
JOHN E. BURRILL,	FREDERICK R. COUDERT,
AUSTIN ABBOTT.	

On the Judiciary,

HENRY E. DAVIES,	MONTGOMERY H. THROOP,
CLARKSON N. POTTER,	CHARLES A. PEABODY,
HENRY M. ALEXANDER,	LEWIS L. DELAFIELD,
JOHN E. PARSONS,	OSBORNE E. BRIGHT,
AARON J. VANDERPOEL.	

On Grievances,

ANDREW BOARDMAN,	GEORGE W. PARSONS,
E. RANDOLPH ROBINSON,	JOHN J. TOWNSEND,
BENJ. F. DUNNING,	HENRY E. HOWLAND,
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THE LIBRARY of the Association now amounts to 14,365 volumes. It contains a complete collection of the American Reports, including those of the Federal Courts and of all the State Courts; also the English, Irish, Scotch and Canadian Reports, with few exceptions.

We have also a collection of foreign text books on International law (intended to include all the standard writers on this subject), presented by Mr. CHARLES C. BEAMAN, jr., and which were purchased by him in Paris, for this purpose, under the advice of Hon. CALEB CUSHING.

We have as the gift of Mr. EVARTS, President of the Association, the following very valuable books: the British and Foreign State Papers, 51 volumes; the publications of the Record Commission, 128 volumes; Chronicles, &c., of Great Britain and Ireland during the Middle Ages, 132 volumes; Cobbett's Parliamentary History, 36 volumes; Hansard's Parliamentary Debates, 274 volumes; and a complete set of all the documents, papers, &c., connected with the Geneva Arbitration, 31 volumes.

We have complete sets of the Statutes of more than half the States, and others so nearly complete as to constitute the fullest and best collection of State Laws in the country, with but two or three exceptions. Also the English General Statutes, and a much enlarged collection of text books and treatises, both English and American.

Of these books, 10,789 volumes have been purchased, at a total cost of \$47,550.13; and 3,576 volumes, including many of the most valuable, have been contributed by members. Of the money so expended, \$16,500 was made up by voluntary contributions from members, and \$31,000 appropriated from the funds of the Association.

The subscriptions to the "Building Fund," for purchase of the present commodious House of the Association, amount to \$45,650; and these donations, with the proceeds of sale of our Twenty-seventh Street house, and the funds previously accumulated, have nearly paid for our present building. The remaining debt (\$20,000), is mostly provided for, but the holder of it will not accept payment until May, 1880, when it falls due.

During the years 1877 and 1878, numerous books have been presented to the Library by members and others, and have been suitably acknowledged by the Library Committee.

The following valuable portraits have also been presented to the ciation:

By ORLANDO B. POTTER, Esq.

Large portrait of Charles O'Connor. Painted by Reinhart.

By JAMES KENT, Esq.

Portrait of his Grandfather, Chancellor James Kent. Painted by Wald Jewett.

By Hon. SAMUEL A. FOOT.

Portrait of Thomas Addis Emmet.

The following letter from Mr. Foot, accompanied his gift:

GENEVA, November 20th, 187

*To the members of "The Association of the Bar
of the City of New York."*

GENTLEMEN,—It gives me pleasure to present to your Association, through the agency of our kind professional brother, Mr. VAN WINKLE, a portrait of THOMAS ADDIS EMMET, deceased, a former member of the New York Bar, which please accept as a token of my high regard.

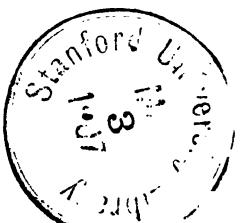
Mr. EMMET was for many years the acknowledged head of the Bar of this State. He was distinguished for purity of life, learning, and ability as a lawyer, eloquence and power as an advocate. He was also a ripe scholar and a courteous and accomplished gentleman. I was so fortunate as to have the privilege of meeting him as one of my opponents in the first cause I argued in our old Court for the Correction of Errors (*Jackson vs. Sebring*, 16 John. R., 515). He was an ornament of our profession in every aspect of his character, and his memory should be cherished and his example heeded by every member of it.

Respectfully yours,

SAML. A. FOOT.

following resolution was unanimously adopted.

"Whereas, the work of the Commissioners of Statutory Revision is still unfinished,



ASSOCIATION OF THE BAR
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CITY OF NEW YORK,
42 WEST 44TH STREET.

JOHN E. PARSONS, PRESIDENT.

COMMITTEE ON THE AMENDMENT OF THE LAW.

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NEW YORK, March 14, 1900.

DEAR SIR:

At a well-attended stated meeting of the Association held on the 13th inst., the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, the work of the Commissioners of Statutory Revision is still unfinished,



and
and should have been required to complete the work undertaken;

"Whereas it was provided by the Laws of 1892, Chapter 15, that the work of the Commission should be completed during the year 1892; and

"Whereas, in his annual message of this year, Governor Roosevelt has urged that steps be taken to terminate the work of the said Commissioners during the present year; and

"Whereas it will be impossible to obtain any adequate relief, within any reasonable time, from the chaotic condition in which twelve years of revision have left our statutes, if such Commissioners are continued in office; and

"Whereas said Commissioners have prepared a large number of General Laws, which are now before the Legislature for action, including three codes and several General Laws to take the place of the present Code of Civil Procedure; and

"Whereas said laws and codes are mainly re-enactments of the present laws and Code of Civil Procedure, and provide no necessary or valuable amendment to the law as it stands, which said proposed laws, if enacted, are calculated to create great confusion and doubt in the body of the law; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That this Association urges upon the Governor and Legislature of this State the importance of rejecting all such laws submitted by said Commissioners and now before the Legislature, and of abolishing the Commission of Statutory Revision and the office of Commissioner of Statutory Revision at the end of the present session of the Legislature."

The Committee on the amendment of the law has been directed by the Association to carry out the purpose of the foregoing resolution, and, in that connection, calls attention to the following summary of the work of the Commissioners of Statutory Revision for the past ten years, by which it appears that, while they caused fifty-two

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three times longer than should have been required to complete the work undertaken;
 and
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 Commission should be completed by the 1st of January, 1893, and that the work of the

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Crowell, Edward B.	Edgar, Jonathan

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 Edwards, Walter, jr.
 Eggleston, Melville
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 Erving, John
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 Holmes, Artemas II.
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 Hubbard, Thomas H.
 Hudson, J. A.
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 Merrill, Payson
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 Meyer, Theo. F. H.
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 Miller, Morris S.
 Minor, Israel, jr.
 Mitchell, Edward
 Mitchell, William
 Mitchell, William, jr.
 Montgomery, John H.
 Montgomery, William, jr.
 Moore, Casimir, DeR.
 Moore, Charles B.
 Moore, Thomas S.
 Moore, William H. H.
 Morehouse, Sturgis M.
 Morgan, James A.
 Morris, Fordham
 Morris, Henry L.
 Morris, James
 Moses, Raphael J.
 Mosher, Joseph F.

Mott, William F., jr.
 Murray, A. S.
 Murray, George F.
 Murray, Jas. B.
 Nash, John McLean
 Nash, Stephen P.
 Nassau, William B.
 Nehrbas, Charles J.
 Nelson, Homer A.
 Newell, George B.
 Newland, David J.
 Nicholson, John R.
 Nicoll, Delancey
 North, Thomas M.
 Norwood, Carlisle, jr.
 Norwood, Lewis M.
 O'Brien, Morgan J.
 O'Connor, Charles
 Odell, Hamilton
 Ogden, Cadwalader E.
 Ogden, David B.
 Ogden, Francis L.
 Ogden, Gouverneur M.
 Ogden, Ludlow
 Ogden, Thomas L.
 Olcott, Emmet R.
 Olin, Stephen H.
 Olmstead, Dwight H.
 Olney, Peter B.
 Opdyke, William S.
 Ormiston, Thomas S.
 Oudin, Lucien
 Paddock, Franklin A.
 Paine, Willis S.
 Parker, George W.
 Parker, Henry H.
 Parkin, William
 Parsons, George W.
 Parsons, John E.
 Paton, David
 Patterson, Edward
 Pattison, Elias J.
 Peabody, Charles A.
 Peabody, Charles A., jr.
 Peckham, Wheeler H.
 Peckham, William G., jr.
 Pell, Frederick A.
 Pelton, Timothy D.
 Pendleton, F. Key

Phelps, Benjamin K.	Russell, Horace
Phelps, Charles H.	Salomon, Edward
Phelps, William Walter	Sands, Andrew H.
Platt, John H.	Sands, B. Aymar
Plympton, Gilbert M.	Sanford, Charles F.
Pomeroy, Eugene H.	Sanger, Adolph L.
Poor, Walter S.	Shaumburg, Atkinson
Porter, John K.	Schell, Edward H.
Porter, Mortimer	Schermerhorn, John E.
Post, Louis F.	Scott, Francis M.
Potter, Clarkson N.	Scott, Wm. Forse
Potter, Orlando B.	Scott, Wm. H.
Powell, Wilson M.	Scribner, John M., jr.
Powers, William P.	Scudder, Henry J.
Prentice, William P.	Searing, Edward W.
Price, Charles	Sedgwick, Arthur G.
Prichard, William M.	Sedgwick, Henry D.
Purdy, William Macneven	Sedgwick, John
Radde, L. E. G.	Seward, Clarence A.
Randolph, Joseph F.	Sewell, Robert
Rapallo, Chas. A.	Sexton, Edward
Redfield, Amasa A.	Shelton, Charles C.
Requier, Augustus J.	Shepard, Elliott F.
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Rives, George L.	Skidmore, Lemuel
Robinson, E. Randolph	Skidmore, William B., jr.
Robinson, Hamilton W.	Smidt, Allan L.
Rodman, Thomas H.	Smith, Charles E.
Rodman, Thomas H., jr.	Smith, Duncan
Roe, Alfred	Smith, Elliot
Roelker, Bernard	Smith, Eugene
Rogers, Henry P.	Smith, F. Sherman
Rogers, Nathaniel P.	Smith, Freling H.
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Roosevelt, John E.	Smith, Nelson
Root, Elihu	Smith, Sandford S.
Root, Henry A.	Smith, Sutherland D.
Ross, Wm. B.	Smyth, Frederick
Roudebush, Almon H.	Snead, Thos. L.
Ruggles, Horace M.	Soren, George W.
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 Southmayd, Chas. F.
 Speir, Archibald W.
 Speir, Gilbert M.
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 Spencer, James C.
 Sprague, Henry L.
 Stapler, Henry, B. B.
 Starr, George H.
 Starr, Peter
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 Stewart, Orlando L.
 Stewart, Wm. A. W.
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 Stickney, Albert
 Stiger, Wm. E.
 Stikeman, James
 Stillman, Granville S. P.
 Stillman, Thomas E.
 Stone, Chas. F.
 Stoughton, Edwin W.
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 Strauss, Oscar S.
 Strong, Chas. E.
 Strong, Theron G.
 Sutherland, John L.
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 Suydam, Chas. S.
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 Taylor, Alfred
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 Waterbury, Nelson J.
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REPORT OF TREASURER.

New York, January 8, 1878.

I respectfully submit the report for the year ending January 8, 1878, of the financial condition of the Association, showing a balance—

To the credit of the General Fund	\$3,463 36	
“ “ Library Fund.....	1,169 78	
“ “ Sinking Fund.....	10,000 00	
		<u>\$14,633 14</u>

The balance remaining on hand at the close of last year's account was—

In the General Fund.....	\$6,288 07	
In the Library Fund.....	1,478 12	
		<u>\$7,766 19</u>

And the income of the current year derived from—

Arrears dues, May, 1875.....	\$50 00	
“ November, 1875.....	70 00	
“ May, 1876.	230 00	
“ November, 1876.....	1,440 00	
Dues, May, 1877.....	9,490 00	
“ November, 1877.....	9,330 00	
Initiation Fees and Balances.....	2,225 00	
		<u>\$22,835 00</u>
		<u>\$30,601 19</u>

The disbursements for the current year have been as follows:

Amount paid—

For Books on % of Library Fund.....	\$4,334 34	
“ Repairs, supplies, furniture, &c.	497 37	
“ Taxes, Croton, interest & insurance	3,417 23	
“ Salaries, wages and serving notices	4,432 05	
“ Gas and fuel.....	1,215 87	
“ Entertainments	600 50	
“ Ice bills.....	71 75	
“ Printing and stationery.....	585 85	
“ Newspapers and postage stamps..	254 53	
“ State Bar Association.....	70 85	
“ Stenography, engraving, supplying printed documents and sundries..	487 71	
		<u>\$15,968 05</u>

Leaving the balance to the credit of the Association.....	<u>\$14,633 14</u>
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The surplus income for the year is thus shown to be \$6,866.95.

It is estimated that the resources and probable expenses for the next year will be about the same as for the current year.

The balance of \$20,000 on the bond and mortgage for \$30,000 on No. 7 West Twenty-ninth street will not be due until April 30, 1880, and bears interest at 7 per cent.

An offer to pay a bonus to the holder of the mortgage for the privilege of paying \$10,000 on account has been made, but was declined to be entertained on any terms.

The bond of the Association for \$20,000 for No. 20 West Twenty-seventh street is also an outstanding obligation, but is secured by a mortgage on those premises, and has been assumed by the purchaser.

The other outstanding obligations of the Association are:

Ice Company.....	\$21 44
Chambers (for gardening).....	47 50
Tyson (newspapers).....	22 04
Anstice (stationery).....	81 45
Baker Smith.....	61 77
Collins.....	9 00
Municipal Gas.....	97 25

Very respectfully,

EDWARD MITCHELL,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

NEW YORK, January 14, 1879.

To the Association of the Bar of the City of New York:

Gentlemen—I respectfully submit the report for the year ending January 14, 1879, of the financial condition of the Association of the Bar, showing a balance—

To the credit of the General Fund of.....	\$3,357 53	
“ “ Library Fund of.....	223 99	
“ “ Sinking Fund of.....	13,000 00	
		<u>\$16,581 52</u>

The balance remaining on hand at the close of last year's account was—

In the General Fund.....	\$3,463 36	
“ Library Fund.....	1,169 78	
“ Sinking Fund.....	10,000 00	
		<u>\$14,633 14</u>

And the income of the current year derived from—

Arrears, May, 1876.....	\$40 00	
“ November, 1876.....	80 00	
“ May, 1877.....	390 00	
“ November, 1877.....	1,770 00	
“ May, 1878.....	9,750 00	
“ November, 1878.....	8,670 00	
Initiation fees and balances.....	1,800 00	
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	\$22,000 00	
And from rebate of tax.....	12 65	
Interest voluntarily paid by a member.....	6 30	
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		\$22,018 95
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		\$36,652 09

The disbursements for the current year have been as follows :

For Books on % of Library Fund.....	\$7,145 79	
“ Repairs, supplies, furniture, &c.....	1,009 31	
“ Taxes Croton Interest Insurance.....	3,395 64	
“ Salaries, wages, and serving notices.....	4,608 25	
“ Gas and fuel.....	1,108 54	
“ Entertainments.....	1,499 00	
“ Printing and stationery.....	918 60	
“ Newspapers and stamps.....	222 44	
“ Stenography.....	50 00	
“ Ice bills.....	113 00	
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		\$20,070 57
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Leaving the balance to the credit of the Association,		\$16,581 52
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The surplus income for the year is thus shown to be \$1,948.38.

It is estimated that the resources for the next year will be less than for the current year, and that the expenses will also be less.

The balance of \$20,000 on the bond and mortgage for \$30,000 on No. 7 West Twenty-ninth street will not be due until April 30, 1880, and bears interest at 7 per cent.

The bond of the Association for \$20,000 for No. 20 West Twenty-seventh street is also an outstanding obligation, but is secured by a mortgage on those premises, and has been assumed by the purchaser of that property.

Very respectfully,

EDWARD MITCHELL,
Treasurer.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

JANUARY, 1877.

Pursuant to the provisions of the thirteenth by-law of the Association, the Executive Committee makes the following

SUMMARY REPORT

of all the proceedings of the Executive Committee from and since the 11th day of January, 1876, the day of the last annual meeting.

At a special meeting of the committee, attended by twelve members, on the eleventh of January, 1876, after the close of the annual meeting of the Association, a proposition for the sale of the house No. 20 West Twenty-seventh street, at the price of \$32,500 was considered and unanimously accepted.

On the seventh of February, 1876, the Committee met and completed its organization by electing Mr. Charles Tracy as Chairman, and Mr. Stetson as Secretary, and adopted rules. It also appointed a Library Committee and a House Committee. At this meeting, as at all subsequent meetings of the Committee, the Treasurer's Report was received and considered, and all bills incurred since the previous meeting were examined and acted upon. Eleven members were present.

On the thirteenth of March, 1876, fourteen members attended. Forty-five bills were examined and acted upon, and the Treasurer was directed to make the payment in May, 1876, of the \$10,000 upon the mortgage, on the house of the Association, which payment was to be at the option of the Association, according to the terms of the mortgage.

On the tenth of April, 1876, eleven members attended. A tender of resignation from William C. Barrett, which had been delivered to the Librarian, was received and considered, and special action with reference thereto was recommended to the Association. The Treasurer was directed to urge the payment of outstanding subscriptions to the Building Fund. Three bills were examined and acted upon.

On the eighth of May, 1876, nine members attended. Twenty-three bills were examined and acted upon. The privileges of the House and Library were directed to be extended to Sir Redmond Barry, Justice of the Supreme Court of Victoria, and the Chairman of the Committee was requested to call upon him.

On the twelfth of June, 1876, twelve members attended. Three bills were examined and acted upon.

On the ninth of October, 1876, eleven members attended. The Chairman reported that he had caused to be printed and distributed one thousand copies of the report of the committee of this Association, upon the first thirteen chapters of the proposed Code of Remedial Justice. The bill for this printing and eight other bills were examined and acted upon. Seven members of the Association, who were in default for non-payment of dues for upwards of two years, were stricken from the rolls, due process having been taken against them according to the by-laws.

On the thirteenth of November, eleven members attended. Fifty-two bills

were examined and acted upon. It was directed that all printing for the Association be done by one printer, to be designated by the Treasurer.

On the eleventh of December, thirteen members attended. Four bills were examined and acted upon. The Treasurer reported that he had received estimates from various printers, of which that of William C. Bryant & Co. was most advantageous, and that he had selected them as printers to the Association. The Committee recommended the passage of the bill now pending in Congress for the publication by Government of the reports of the decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States, and the President of the Association was requested to attend before the proper committee of the House of Representatives and advocate the passage of the bill.

On the eighth of January, 1877, eleven members attended. Fourteen bills were examined and acted upon. The Building Committee was authorized in its discretion to remit in whole or in part the unpaid subscriptions to the Building Fund.

During the year the following appropriations were made to the Library Fund:

February 7th, 1876.....	\$1,000 00
May 8th, 1876.....	500 00
June 12th, 1876.....	2,500 00
November 13th, 1876.....	2,000 00
Total.....	<hr/> \$6,000 00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRANCIS LYNDE STETSON,

Secretary.

January 8th, 1877.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ADMISSIONS.

To the Association of the Bar of the City of New York :

The Committee on Admissions respectfully reports :

That at its meeting in January, 1876, Francis F. Marbury, Esq., was elected Chairman, and Hamilton Odell, Secretary, for the ensuing year.

That of the candidates for membership proposed to the Committee, seventy-four (74), have been recommended to the Association for admission.

Respectfully submitted,

F. F. MARBURY,

Chairman.

HAMILTON ODELL,

Secretary.

Dated New York, January 4th, 1877.

PROCEEDINGS OF COMMITTEE ON AMENDMENT OF THE LAW.

SUMMARY OF ALL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE ON AMEND- MENT OF THE LAW, FOR YEAR ENDING JANUARY 9, 1877, REPORTED PURSUANT TO BY-LAW XIII.

In April, 1876, the Association referred to this Committee the duty of drafting and reporting such amendments to the Laws of this State, as will secure the conviction and imprisonment of any Executor, Trustee, Referee or other person acting in a fiduciary capacity, who shall apply to his own use any trust funds intrusted to his care, or who shall invest such funds in securities not permitted by the Laws of this State.

This subject was considered at the next meeting of the Committee, on April 24, 1876, informally, and again on May 8, 1876, at a full meeting.

A Sub-Committee was appointed to report the condition of the law, and to draft and report any required amendment.

The Sub-Committee consisted of the Chairman, Honorable Charles O'Connor, Honorable Joseph S. Bosworth and Frederic H. Betts.

The Sub-Committee reported at the meeting of December 15, 1876, and after discussion recommitted the subject to the Sub-Committee to make amendments suggested.

No further report has as yet been made.

In October, 1876, the subject of a proposed Act of Congress, amending the Revised Statutes of the United States, relative to the fees of Attorneys, &c., in the Courts of the United States, was referred to the Committee.

At the meeting of the Committee, on December 15, 1876, the Committee resolved that they could not recommend the amendment.

The Committee further considered the subject of the amendment of the Statutes of the United States, so as to provide for the appointment of two additional Circuit Judges for the Second Judicial Circuit of the United States.

At the meeting of the Committee on December 15, 1876, the Committee considered and approved a proposed Act of Congress for that purpose.

Reports to the Association upon those matters upon which final action has been taken by the Committee, have been made.

NEW YORK, January 9, 1877.

(Sd.)

FREDERIC H. BETTS,

*Secretary of Committee on
Amendment of the Law.*

JANUARY, 1877.

To the Bar Association :

The Library Committee respectfully reports, that :

The total number of volumes in the Library is 10,729.

Of these there have been purchased by the Association 7,522.

Received by donation from members of the Association and others, 3,207.

The increase in the number of volumes for the last year has been as follows :

By purchase.....	801
By donation.....	430

Total.....	1,231
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The total amount expended for books has been as follows :

Previous to the year 1876.....	\$31,291 54
During the year 1876.....	4,805 46

Total cost of Library to the Association.....	\$36,097 00
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Annexed to this report is a list of the donations to the Library during the past year, with the names of the donors.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Dated New York, January, 1877.

JAMES EMOTT, JAMES C. CARTER, WALTER S. POOR, IRA D. WARREN, LEWIS L. DELAFIELD,	} Committee.
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DONATIONS

OF BOOKS TO THE LIBRARY

1876.

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	VOLS.
Jan. 17.—M. M. VAIL, Esq.:	
Campbells Nisi Prius.	3
Coke's First Institutes.	3
Impey's Practice.	2
Lilly's Entries	2
Mallory's Entries.	2
Montifiore's Precedents.	1
Moore's Index.	2
Preston on Legacies	1
Reeve's Law of Shipping.	1
Richardson's Practice.	2
Roberts on Frauds.	2
Roberts on Wills.	2
Roper on Husband and Wife.	2
Sellon's Nisi Prius.	3
Tidd's Appendix.	1
Vernon's Reports.	2
Wood's Conveyancing.	6
New York Directories, 1842-3-4, and 5	3
Jan. 17.—EDWARD L. RAPALLO:	
Assembly and Senate Documents, 1875.	21
Jan. 21.—SECRETARY OF STATE, WASHINGTON:	
Foreign Relations of the United States, 1874.	2
Jan. 22.—M. H. THROOP, Esq.:	
Two copies, Commissioner's Report, 1876, of the New Revised Statutes.	2
Feb. 8.—GEO. H. YEAMAN, Esq.:	
Patent Office Reports.	38
The War between the States (Stephens), Vol. 1.	1
Feb. 25.—HON. JAMES EMOTT:	
Harrison's Digest.	7
Duer on Insurance.	2
Toullier & Duvergier's Droit Civil Francais.	14

Mch. 30.—HON. WM. BEACH LAWRENCE:	
Lawrence's Wheaton on International Law—1863.....	1
April 6.—NEW YORK STATE LIBRARY:	
Legislative Journals and Documents, 1870-75.....	114
Thompson's Assessor's Manual.....	1
Trial of Barnard, McCunn, Prindle and Curtis	7
April 21.—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq.:	
Annual Report (1875) Board of Education.....	1
May 8.—DENNIS BOWEN, Esq.:	
Memorial, City and County Hall, Buffalo	1
May 10.—CHARLES H. WOODRUFF, Esq.:	
Trial of Jefferts, for Murder.....	1
Case of American ship Rob Roy.....	1
Obseques of Henry Clay.....	1
New Jersey Revolutionary Correspondence.....	1
Provincial Courts of New Jersey.....	1
East Jersey Under the Proprietors.....	1
Spiritualism (Edmonds & Dexter)	1
Kellogg on Labor and Capital.....	1
Thirty Phamplets. (Miscellaneous)	
Assembly and Senate Documents, 1867 and 1868.....	50
Proceedings and Debates New York Constitutional Convention	
1867.....	11
Impeachment of R. C. Dorn.....	1
Catalogue of Maps, New York State Library.....	1
United States Government Documents.....	29
Directories, New York.....	10
May 17.—EDWARD L. RAPALLO:	
Senate and Assembly Documents	20
June 13.—SIR REDMOND BARRY:	
Catalogues of Melbourne and Victoria Public Libraries	4
June 23.—DORMAN B. EATON, Esq.:	
Records of Massachusetts, 1628 to 1636.....	5
Celebrated Trials in all Countries.....	1
New York Civil Code, as reported in 1865.....	1
Records of the New York Chamber of Commerce (1768-1784)..	1
Ray on Medical Jurisprudence	1
Commercial and Foreign Relations, United States, 1873.....	3
Memoir of Nicholas Hill.....	1
Proceedings at Banquet to J. W. Gerard.....	
Ferry Leases and Railroad Grants, New York, 1866.....	1
State Engineers' Reports, New York, 1864-5-6	3
Hubbill's Legal Directory, 1875.....	1

		VOLS.
	Rules and Orders, New York Court of Chancery, 1806-47...	8
	Rules of New York Supreme Court, 1847-8	2
	Sheet Anchor.....	1
June	1.—MESSRS. STEVENS & HAYNES, LONDON:	
	Hartwell Law Catalogue.....	1
Oct	10.—CHARLES CARY, Esq.:	
	Journal of Continental Congress.....	5
	Trials for High Treason.....	1
	The Writ of Mandamus. (Pamphlet).....	
Oct	24.—JOHN L. CADWALADER, Esq.:	
	Treaties and Conventions of United States since 1870.....	1
Nov	1.—JOHN L. CADWALADER, Esq.:	
	Reports on the Vienna Exposition.....	4
Dec.	8.—DE LANCY NICOLL, Esq.:	
	Rolles Abridgement.....	1
	Keble's British Statutes at Large	1
Dec.	8.—DORMAN B. EATON, Esq.:	
	Public Libraries in the United States.....	1
	Treaties and Conventions. (1 pamphlet).....	
Dec.	20.—IRA D. WARREN, Esq.:	
	Cooper on Libel.....	1
Dec.	—HON. CHARLES A. RAPALLO:	
	Cases and Points, Court of Appeals.....	19

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEW BUILDING.

ASSOCIATION OF THE BAR, }
7 WEST 29TH STREET, }
NEW YORK, February 10th, 1877.

The Committee appointed under the resolution of the 24th of September, 1872, providing for an inquiry as to procuring a proper site and erecting thereon a new building (the powers of which Committee have been from time to time enlarged under the various subsequent resolutions), do now beg leave to report:

1st. That owing to the condition of the real estate market there was much difference of opinion in the Committee, and consequent delay in determining what action would be most expedient. It was finally decided to recommend the purchase of a building which would for several years answer the purposes of the Association rather than incur the large expense of erecting a structure that would be permanently satisfactory. A preliminary report to that effect was made, and was approved by the Association, looking to the purchase of the house and ground known as No. 7 West Twenty-ninth street, whenever it could be bought at a moderate price. The price demanded at that time was \$130,000, and your Committee had to wait quietly for many months before the owner would come to satisfactory terms.

2d. Finally in February, 1875, terms were agreed on by your Committee, which were approved by the Association, and your Committee was directed to complete the purchase, and did accordingly purchase in the name of the Association the said premises, No. 7 West Twenty-ninth street, for the sum of one hundred thousand (\$100,000) dollars; and the broker's fees of \$1,000. These premises being seventy-four feet (or about three full lots) in breadth on Twenty-ninth street and ninety-eight feet nine inches, or one-half the block in depth. The situation is healthy and agreeable, central, and easily accessible from every direction, and it was believed the property was not likely for a long time to come to depreciate in value.

A brick building of substantial structure covered forty-five feet of the width of the lots, and was of convenient depth. By proper alterations, without undue expense, it could, in the opinion of the Committee, be made adequate for the purposes of the Association for several years to come.

3d. By the terms of the purchase, fifty thousand dollars of the purchase money and the \$1,000 brokerage was paid in cash on the 1st day of May, 1875; on receiving the deed a mortgage of \$30,000 was given upon the premises purchased, and a further mortgage of \$20,000 on the house and lot No. 20 West Twenty-seventh street, then owned by the Association. The \$30,000 mortgage becoming due on the 1st day of May, 1880, with the right to the Association to pay off \$10,000 on the 1st of May, 1876.

4th. The Committee caused the building purchased to be so altered as to

adapt it to the use of the Association, to be put in thorough repair and handsome order throughout—to be provided with the best heating apparatus and the best means of ventilation that could be found—to be furnished with suitable substantial furniture, and the grounds about it to be improved, all of which, including the care of the building during the progress of the work, have cost \$23,579.50, all of which has been paid in cash. A detailed statement of the items of such expenditure is hereto attached.

5th. This Committee was charged also with the duty of asking subscriptions from members of the Association towards the expense of purchasing and improving said building. At first great difference of opinion prevailed in this Committee and in the Executive Committee as to the mode of obtaining such subscriptions—some thinking it necessary to offer a partial equivalent for advances by way of remission of dues or otherwise—while others felt great confidence in appealing to the generosity of members as soon as a definite acceptable place should be secured. The latter opinion was finally accepted by all the Committee, and their confidence in the liberality of the profession has been abundantly justified. The sum of \$45,650 has been contributed as a free gift to the Association, placing it in an excellent financial condition.

That is to say, before the purchase the Association owned the house 20 West Twenty-seventh street free of encumbrance, and had on hand about \$20,000 accumulated fund. On the purchase it paid \$51,000 in cash, \$20,000 in a mortgage upon 20 West Twenty-seventh street, which has been assumed by the purchaser of that property, and \$30,000 in a mortgage upon these premises, 7 West Twenty-ninth street. It has also paid in cash the \$23,500 required for repairs, improvements and furniture, and in May 1876 it paid off \$10,000 of the principal of the \$30,000 on this house. So that it now owns this house and adjoining ground, and its library and furniture clear of all debt except \$20,000 payable three years from 1st May next.

The names of the subscribers to said fund, and sums subscribed by each, appear in an appendix hereto attached, marked B. Beside the subscriptions made as aforesaid, and paid, one of \$50 has been cancelled on account of inability to pay, and another reduced from \$500 to \$250 by special authority from the Executive Committee. There remained two subscriptions wholly unpaid, one of \$500 by a law firm, and one of \$250 by a member of another firm, both of which firms have an extensive and apparently a lucrative business. Your Committee have urged the payment of these subscriptions as diligently as propriety would admit, and have withheld this their final report for many months past, in hope that they would be paid, as repeatedly promised. They now leave them on the Treasurer's files.

6th. The Committee have, pursuant to authority given them, sold the premises No. 20 West Twenty-seventh street. The price was \$32,500, free of brokerage, the sale having been negotiated by one of the Committee personally, and the purchaser introduced by our fellow-member, Mr. Coudert. Of that price \$12,500 was paid in cash and the purchaser (an incorporated Society named the Xavier Union) assumed the mortgage for \$20,000, which had been given to Mrs. Ann Ord, as part of the price of 7 West Twenty-ninth street.

7th. Referring again to the premises purchased, the Committee desire to

point out that a small portion of the stable (standing mainly on adjoining lots) encroaches upon the property of the Association. To guard against possible difficulty in the future, its owners have been required by the Committee to take a lease at nominal rent of the land so encroached on with covenant to remove the encroaching portion at any time on a certain short notice, which lease has been duly executed.

8th. The Committee would also call attention to the fact that the alterations of the building have been so made as to facilitate the erection of and convenient access to a Hall, if hereafter built upon the vacant portion of the new property; and the new furnace which has been put into the existing building is large enough also to heat such Hall.

9th. The Library of the Association was moved into the new building in September and October, 1875. The Committee at that time made certain designations of different parts of the house, which have been adopted in practice, and need only to be specified here, namely:

First Floor.—Front room east, reception-room; large room west, parlor; rear room east, reading-room.

Second Floor.—Small middle room in the rear, the librarian's room; all other rooms on this floor, the Library.

Third Floor.—Middle front room, for servant; southeast room and two adjoining rooms, for librarian and his family, who have also the southeast room in the basement and the kitchen. The northwest room on fourth floor is fitted up for examination of witnesses and holding of references in cases when members of the Association may find it convenient—the use and expense of it to be regulated by the House Committee. The west room on fourth floor, extending from front to rear, has been fitted up for a billiard-room, pursuant to a vote of the Association. For that purpose S. L. M. Barlow, Esq., has presented one billiard-table, and William P. Ketcham, Esq., has loaned another for an indefinite time, both of which have been placed in the billiard-room for the use of members.

10th. In regard to the judges' room, assuming it to be convenient and desirable to the judges to make use of the Library and to meet habitually at the house by day or evening, which can hardly be doubted, it is evidently proper that a separate apartment should be furnished for that purpose. It would be unsuitable, if not embarrassing, for them, while engaged in examining cases, to have to display the papers in suits and briefs of counsel in rooms open to all members of the Association, including often the very counsel whose briefs may be under examination, and obviously consultation among the judges themselves would be impracticable, except in a place devoted exclusively to their use.

11th. The Committee have provided accommodations in the Librarian's room for the Secretary and each Committee to keep their records and papers under separate lock and key; and they venture to suggest that greater care in taking and preserving records is desirable, or that the time may come when the members will have occasion to lament the want of records of interesting and important events in the action and history of the Association. It is believed that the records of our doings as an Association, as well as of the events that led to our organization, are very defective and that the materials for making

them complete may be found utterly wanting, if they are not secured with some diligence at an early day.

12th. The Committee desire further to report that the designation of the northeast room, third story, as President's room, which they agreed upon at the time when the Association took possession of the house, was made with the expectation that before many years it would become desirable to appropriate that room for certain classes of books. In the opinion of the Committee the time has already come when this change should be made, and they therefore recommend that it be referred to the Executive Committee to have said room suitably fitted up for the reception and use of all such books belonging to the Association as are not required for current professional use.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

DORMAN B. EATON,

WM. M. PRICHARD,

S. P. NASH,

LEWIS L. DELAFIELD,

} Committee.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO BUILDING FUND.

Adams, Charles D. (see firm)	
Alvord, Alwyn A. (see firm)	
Anderson, E. Ellery.....	\$200
Anderson, Henry H.	500
Arnold, John H. V.	150
Atterbury, C. L.	50
Ball, James M. (firm).....	100
Barlow, Samuel L. M. (see firm) ..	
Barrett, William C	500
Barry, Thomas G	25
Beall, John A. (see firm)	
Beaman, Charles C., Jr. (see firm) ..	
Bell, Clark.....	250
Boardman, Andrew.....	500
Boardman, Samuel.....	150
Bolling, John M.....	10
Bowne, Richard H.....	500
Bright, Osborne E. (see firm)	
Burrill, John E.....	500
Bush, J. A.....	75
Butler, Charles E. (see firm).....	
Butler, William Allen (firm).....	1,000
Byrne, Francis	25
Calvin, Delano C.....	100
Candler, Flamen B. (see firm)	
Carter, James C	500
Chandler, James E.....	25

Chittenden, Simeon B, Jr.	\$25
Choate, Joseph H. (see firm)	
Choate, William G. (see firm)	
Churchill, Franklin H.	25
Coggeshall, Edwin W.	25
Colles, George W.	25
Connor, John C., Jr.	25
Coudert, Charles, Jr. (see firm)	
Coudert, Frederick R. (firm)	500
Coudert, Louis L. (see firm)	
Crane, Alexander B.	80
Crosby, John P.	100
Curtis, William E.	250
Da Costa, Charles M.	500
Davenport, John A. (see firm)	
Davies, Henry E. (firm)	500
Davies, Julien T. (see firm)	
Davison, Charles A.	250
Day, Henry (see firm)	
Dayton, Isaac	150
Dean, D. J.	100
De Forest, Robert W. (firm)	250
Delafield, Lewis L.	500
De Kay, Sidney	25
De Lancey, F. Edward	100
Dickerson, Edward N. (firm)	500
Divine, Michael W. (see firm)	
Dixon, William P.	25
Dunning, Benjamin F.	250
Dwight, Theodore W.	250
Eaton, Dorman B.	500
Edgerton, C. O.	25
Edwards, Walter, Jr. (firm)	100
Ely, Moses	50
Emmet, Richard S.	100
Emott, James	500
Evarts, William M. (firm)	2,500
Feeter, Jacob W.	25
Fellows, Louis	50
Felt, Edwin M.	250
Flanagan, John R. (firm)	100
Foster, William R., Jr.	25
Fox, Austen G.	50
Garrettson, Francis T.	50
Gerard, James W.	100
Gillender, Aug. T.	50
Goldschmidt, George B.	50
Gray, John C. (firm)	100

Grimball, John (see firm).....	
Hall, Thomas D	\$50
Hammersley, J. Hooker	25
Hamilton, E. Luther.....	25
Hand, Clifford A.....	250
Harison, George D. L	50
Harison, Richard M. (see firm).....	
Harnett, John H.....	25
Harris, Charles N.....	50
Harrison, Burton N.....	100
Hegeman, W. A. Ogden	50
Henry, J. H.....	25
Hilton, E. B.....	50
Hinsdale, Elizur B	100
Hoppin, William W. Jr.....	25
Howe, Walter.....	50
Hubbard, Grosvenor S. (firm).....	100
Hubbard, Thomas H. (see firm).....	
Ingersoll, Charles D.....	25
Jackson, Theo. F.....	100
Jay, William (see firm).....	
Jones, Walter R. T.....	25
Ketchum, Edgar.....	100
Kircheis, Alexander F.....	50
Knevals, Sherman W.....	50
Lane, Smith E.....	250
Larocque, Joseph (see firm).....	
Lawrence, John S.....	50
Lee, Benjamin F. (firm).....	250
Lee, William P.....	100
Leveridge, John W. C.....	50
Lord, Daniel D. (firm).....	1,000
Lord, Daniel, Jr. (see firm).....	
Lord, George De F. (see firm).....	
Lowrey, Grosvenor P. (see firm)	
Macdonough, Aug. R.....	100
Macfarland, William W. (see firm).....	
Man, Albon P. (firm).....	1,000
Man, Frederick H.....	100
Man, William (see firm).....	
Marbury, Francis F.....	250
Marrin, John J.....	50
Martin, Isaac P. (firm).....	2,000
Mathews, Albert.....	250
McAdam, Quentin.....	50
McDonald, John.....	30
Merrill, Payson.....	25
Meyer, Theo. F. H.....	125

Miller, Charles E.	\$250
Miller, Charles P.	20
Mitchell, Edward.	250
Mitchell, William.	250
Mitchell, William, Jr.	25
Morgan, James Appleton.	50
Moses, Raphael, Jr.	25
Mosher, John F.	25
Nash, John McLean	100
Nash, Stephen P.	500
Norwood, Carlisle, Jr.	75
O'Connor, Charles.	2,500
Odell, Hamilton C. (see firm).	
Ogden, Cadwalader E.	25
Ogden, F. L.	25
Ogden, Gouverneur M.	25
Ogden, Ludlow.	25
Ogden, Thomas L.	25
Olney, Peter B.	50
Paddock, Franklin A.	50
Parson, John E. (see firm).	
Peckham, Wheeler H.	250
Phelps, Benjamin K.	250
Poor, Walter S.	30
Porter, John K. (firm).	1,000
Potter, Clarkson N.	500
Powell, Wilson M.	100
Powers, William P.	100
Price, Charles.	50
Prichard, William M. (firm).	1,000
Riker, John H. (firm).	500
Riker, Sam'l (see firm).	
Rives, Charles E. (see firm).	
Rives, Francis R.	150
Rives, G. L.	50
Robinson, E. Randolph (see firm).	
Rodman, Thomas H. (firm).	250
Rodman, Thomas H., Jr. (see firm).	
Roe, Alfred.	250
Roelker, Bernard.	100
Root, Elihu.	100
Ruggles, Horace M. (see firm).	
Russell, Horace.	50
Sandford, Charles W.	50
Sanford, Charles F.	1,000
Scott, William H.	500
Scribner, John M., Jr.	100
Scudder, Henry J.	100

Sedgwick, Henry D.....	\$100
Sewell, Robert.....	200
Shepard, Elliott F.	250
Shepard, Francis N.....	25
Shipman, William D. (firm).....	2,500
Skidmore, Lemuel (firm).....	50
Skidmore, William B., Jr. (see firm).....	
Smith, Augustus F. (see firm).....	
Smith, Duncan (see firm).....	
Smith, E. Delafield.....	1,000
Smith, Elliott (see firm).....	
Smith, George P.....	25
Smith, S. Sidney (see firm).....	
Smyth, Frederick.....	100
Snead, Thomas L. (firm).....	100
Soren, George W. (see firm).....	
Southmayd, Charles F. (see firm).....	
Speir, Gilbert M.....	250
Spencer, James C.....	30
Starr, George H.....	25
Starr, Peter (firm).....	250
Sterne, Simon.....	100
Stedman, E. G.....	75
Stetson, Francis L. (firm).....	200
Stickney, Albert.....	25
Stillman, Granville P.....	25
Stillman, Thos. E. (see firm).....	
Stone, Charles F. (see firm).....	
Stoughton, Edwin W.....	500
Strong, Charles E.....	500
Strong, Theron Geo.....	50
Strauss, O. S. (firm).....	25
Tailer, Henry A.....	250
Thomasson, John J.....	25
Tilden, Samuel J.....	2,500
Tompkins, H. B.....	50
Tracy, Charles.....	500
Tracy, Charles Edward.....	150
Tracy, J. Evarts (see firm).....	
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	<u>\$45,650</u>

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

To the Association of the Bar:

In pursuance of the requirement of the Thirteenth By-Law of the Association, the Executive Committee submits the following summary of its proceedings since its last annual report:

All the regular meetings of the Committee required by the By-Laws have been duly held and well attended by the members of the Committee. One special meeting was held.

It is not supposed to be desirable or proper to recapitulate the details of the ordinary current business which necessarily occupies most of the time of the Committee, especially as the minutes of the Committee are read at length at each meeting of the Association.

The matters of special interest which have been acted on by the Committee were as follows:

FEBRUARY.—It was resolved to employ suitable counsel to represent the Association and assist in conducting the proceedings then pending before Hon. Wm. H. Leonard, Referee, for the removal of Titus B. Eldridge from the Bar; and an appropriation of \$500 for the expense thereof was voted, subject to the approval of the Association, which approval was given at the next meeting of the Association.

Mr. Lewis L. Delafield was selected as such counsel, and has conducted the affair with his accustomed energy and ability, ending, to this time, with an elaborate argument before the General Term of the Supreme Court, in whose hands the matter still remains undecided.

After the March meeting of the Association, allegations were presented to the Chairman of the Committee, to the effect that a serious error had occurred in the counting of votes upon admission of a candidate for membership. A special meeting of the Committee was called, at which the Treasurer was instructed to withhold, in this case, the usual notice to the candidate that he had been elected.

A thorough investigation of the matter was afterwards made by a special committee, whose conclusion was, in substance, that the candidate in question had not received the number of votes requisite for admission. But, on the presentation of this report, the Association refused to confirm it, and in effect adopted the principle that, in respect to election of members, it would not go behind the report of the tellers appointed to count the ballots.

MAY.—The privileges of the library and reading-room for three months were voted to Mr. R. de Tracey Gould.

JUNE.—Notice of proposed amendment to the Ninth By-Law was received by the Committee, and a sub-committee was appointed to consider the whole subject of that By-Law, and report a consistent scheme for the amendment thereof, if they should deem amendment necessary.

At the same meeting Mr. Van Winkle informed the Committee that he had been served with a *subpœna duces tecum*, seeking to compel him to produce the records and disclose the action of the Committee on Grievances, at a time when he was a member of that Committee; and it was resolved to appoint counsel to resist such an attempt. Mr. Aaron J. Vanderpoel accepted that duty, and, before the Referee, and afterwards before the Court, triumphantly vindicated the refusal of Mr. Van Winkle to testify.

The Committee regarded Mr. Vanderpoel as having rendered important and valuable services in this case, and were ready to pay him a proper counsel fee, but he declined receiving any compensation.

OCTOBER.—At this meeting, in view of the possible results of a fire, it was resolved that a complete copy of the catalogue of books and inventory of all furniture in the house be made and kept by the Treasurer away from the house.

This copy and inventory have been prepared in book form, and are now ready for the Treasurer.

By a letter from a gentleman residing at Topeka, Kansas, the attention of the Committee was called to a scandalous advertisement on the subject of divorcees, purporting to come from one A. J. Dexter, *Tribune* Building, New York; and a sub-committee was appointed to investigate the matter. They were unable to find the man, although he had previously had an office in that building.

They were also unable to find his name upon the roll of attorneys in this County, and the matter was dropped.

A committee was appointed to inquire as to the advantages promised by the Municipal Gas-Light Company.

NOVEMBER.—On report of that committee, the Municipal Gas-Light Company was permitted to introduce their gas into the house.

It cannot be said that the experiment has yet been fairly tried, either as to the quality or the price of this gas.

At the same meeting, another sub-committee was appointed to see if some better method of lighting the library and reading-room could not be found.

DECEMBER.—The sub-committee reported in favor of a change of gas-burners, globes, etc., and were directed to procure same.

The proposed changes have been made in part, and are nearly completed.

It is believed that the light is much improved in the library, and the heat from the burners greatly reduced.

The last meeting of the Committee was held on 4th January, 1877.

Auditors were elected to examine the Treasurer's accounts, the Association having omitted to elect same at the December meeting.

The sum of \$10,000, now on deposit in New York Life Insurance and Trust Company, was appropriated towards a sinking fund to pay off the balance of the mortgage upon 7 West Twenty-ninth street, when it falls due (April 30th, 1880).

A resolution was passed inviting the Executive Committee of the State Bar Association to hold its intended meeting in January in the house of this Association.

New York, January 7, 1878.

WM. M. PRICHARD,

Chairman.

THERON GEORGE STRONG,

Secretary Executive Committee.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

JANUARY, 1878.

To the Association of the Bar :

The Library Committee respectfully reports that the total number of volumes in the Library is 12,250.

Of these there have been purchased by the Association, 8,822.

Received by donation from members of the Association and others, 3,428.

The increase in the number of volumes for the last year has been as follows :

By purchase.....	1,300
By donation.....	221
Total.....	1,521

The total amount expended for books has been as follows:

Previous to the year 1877.....	\$36,097 00
During the year 1877.....	4,308 84

Total cost of Library to the Association... \$40,405 84

Annexed to this report is a list of the donations to the Library during the past year, with the names of the donors.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Dated New York, January, 1878.

JAMES EMOTT,	} Committee.
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